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"Right is More Precious than Peace"

READY FOR THE NEXT.

What was indicated the middle of last week has materialized in the complete ending of the German drive along the Montdidier-Noyon line. There the Germans had figured by the throwing in of superior numbers to either break through the allied line or to send it back that they would come into possession of important places which are needed in the effort to move on Paris or to improve their position for a new drive toward the French coast ports.

In this last drive the Germans found the allies ready and waiting. They managed to secure some ground, a very small amount in view of the tremendous price that was paid in human life to take it, but while they have been devoting every energy to give Foch's armies a setback from which they could not recover, they have not been able to occupy the line which are considered of much importance in the defense of Paris.

Thus the drive must be put down as a failure. They have sacrificed their men, and some of them were their best troops, for a mere pitance.

The question now is where and when will the next move be made along the western front. That there will be a continuance of the drives is to be anticipated with Paris or the channel ports as the objective. For the defense of these the allies are in a better position than ever, even though Germany gets the benefit of the troops which it is calling from the east. Whether the Austrian offensive will serve to occupy the stage until the next preparations are perfected remains to be seen, but wherever the blow comes it can be believed that it will meet stronger opposition than ever before.

WORK SLACKERS.

President Wilson has endorsed the idea of a law in every state which will make the idler work. This is in approval of the step which has been taken in several states to overcome the work slacker and to make everyone live up to the slogan, "Work or Fight."

Maryland, New Jersey and New York have passed laws dealing with this matter and the need of such action is so apparent that the other states of the Union ought not to require any urging to adopt similar legislation. This is a time of all times when our full man power should be brought into action. With the demand for work so great, it is not right to be no one, regardless of his position in life, who, if he is physically able, should be willing to shirk what he can do in the way of contributing to the nation's needs, and there is much which the skilled and the unskilled can be employed to do.

With a few states passing legislation against the work slacker, it can be appreciated that the same conditions in other commonwealths ought to be changed. Unless there is some sort of uniformity in regard to legislation it can be appreciated that many loafers will seek the state where work is not obligatory, but with all states insisting that all who are able must work all avenues of escape will be blocked. It is entirely possible that many states already have laws which will cover this situation, and if that is the case there ought to be every effort made to see that they are enforced.

CANNOT HAMPER THE COUNTRY

The whole country is much interested in the outcome of the controversy between the commercial telegraphers of the country and the Western Union. The existing situation in the country requires that there should be no interference with the wire communications. They must be maintained and there must be no strike. That the telegraphers selected the present time for endeavoring to organize a union, that they might get an advantage from the prevailing conditions, is plainly indicated. There ought to be little question but what they have a right to organize but it appears to be a most unfortunate time to endeavor to accomplish such a thing, especially since there is involved the threat of a strike.

The Western Union is opposing the organization and declares that it will discharge all employees who join such

a union, but offers, in addition to what it is doing for its employees in many ways, to aid them in perfecting such an organization which would include simply company employees and along lines which the company would approve.

The war labor board after considering this matter has suggested that the company is not bound to recognize such a union and that all disputes be adjusted by the board. This would not prevent the organization but in agreeing to accept such a suggestion the telegraphers have agreed not to resort to a strike and that the company has accepted the war board's advice, the threatened strike has not been called and the decision of the Western Union is awaited in view of the president's declaration that the war labor board is the supreme authority.

STOP THE MEAT EATING.

A special drive is being made on the part of the federal food administration just now to conserve on meat. We have a greater quantity of beef in cold storage now than we did a year ago at this time but the demands upon our supply are constantly growing larger. We need more daily for our troops across the water, who are fast nearing the million mark and who it comes to seeing that they have sufficient it can be expected that the American people will do their utmost.

It is being asked of the hotel and restaurant trade to serve no more than one steak or roast beef more than once weekly and that boiled beef be restricted to twice a week. Of the householders it is asked that they buy no more than a pound and a quarter a week, and that this be continued until September. Special emphasis is being laid upon beef at this time and if meat substitutes must be had pork and bacon are suggested.

There is little doubt but what this people as a rule eat much more meat than they actually require, or that as the vegetables claim, they would be much more healthful if less meat were consumed. Certainly this is the season of the year when most people can get along without it. It is a time when any condition when meat eating should be light and more stress laid upon vegetables and garden truck. It ought therefore to be particularly easy for the people of the country to comply with the advice of the food administrator and thereby insure enough meat for war purposes. It's another chance for everyone to do his part.

MR. FORD'S CANDIDACY.

Henry Ford has come into great prominence in this country in the past several years because of his industrial efforts. He had shown himself to be a great man in the manufacturing line and he is now turning his knowledge and the food of the world into use in connection with the conduct of the war. He has however advanced some strange notions such as the determined effort which he made in behalf of his peace undertaking which cost so much and fell so flat. It was following that that he considered that he better confine himself to manufacturing, and for much the same reasons there are those who feel much the same way at the present time about his decision to engage in politics.

It is not therefore strange that so much opposition has been aroused to his candidacy for United States senator from Michigan, even though he declares that he is to enter the race for political honor from the state of Michigan. It is well understood that Mr. Ford is deeply interested in government contracts, and yet it is provided by a federal law that such contracts cannot be given to federal office holders. Whether this can be gotten around by the fact that he has the contracts before he gets the office remains to be seen.

It is quite evident, however, that his announcement has caused much opposition in democratic and republican circles and perhaps the greatest surprise of all this is that Mr. Ford would want to dip into politics at this stage in view of his total inexperience. Yet, that may be the whole reason.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

No one has as yet been forced to put up a very stiff fight against tan and sunburn.

When a submarine takes eight tons of copper from a merchantman, it indicates that it isn't planning upon being caught.

Perhaps the recent exploits of the Italian navy gives the best reason why there is no talk about an Austrian naval offensive.

The man on the corner says: The patriotic can usually be found filling their collar without doing a lot of talking about it.

Austria may be on the verge of an upheaval second to Russia's but it is requiring more time than was necessary to start the war.

It must be provoking to the Germans to have to use so many divisions on the Americans and then not be able to stop them.

There are reasons to believe that it will not be long before the announcement is made that there are a million American soldiers in Europe.

With Germany planning to move troops from Russia to the west there is all the more need for the reestablishment of an eastern front.

With the plan to march American troops through Ireland there ought to be no question in the minds of the Irish where America is standing.

There is going to be a great big patriotic service rendered this year by the youngsters, who give up their Fourth of July fireworks to purchase thrift stamps.

Those who are fined today for violation of the automobile law and tomorrow proceed to indulge in the same violation and brag about it deserve to be taught a lesson.

What losses Germany has been suffering as the result of the drive is pretty well shown by the announcement that it is going to send all of its troops in Russia to France.

The mayor of Boston wants to know why the government does not utilize 13 plants in that vicinity for building barges and tugs. Certainly it is available for every facility that is available should be used for this and the giving of quicker coal relief to New England if there is material available for all of such work.

WOMAN IN LIFE AND IN THE KITCHEN

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE HOUSEWIFE

When laying matting, you will find much easier to get into corners if you thoroughly with a brush dipped in water and a cup of water, to which a cup of salt has been added.

Water spilled on the bed when someone is ill may be quickly dried by filling a hot water bottle with water and placing it between the mattress and the bed clothing.

If bread crumbs are kept tightly covered in a fruit jar they are apt to become strong. Try trying a piece of muslin over the top. This gives the air labor board is the supreme authority.

When buying a broom, test it by pressing the edge against the floor. If the broom is a good one, it will break out and bend down, don't buy it.

The old worn bedspread will allow a pretty tablecloth. Trim off the corners and use it as a pretty cover. Turn a two-inch hem around the edges and finish with a fringe.

A stove that has been splashed with fat can be effectively cleaned by dipping a rag into the soot at the back of the stove and rubbing the greasy spots before applying the blacking.

For kitchen windows sash curtains are very desirable. Have them just the size of the lower sash, strung on picture wire and fastened to the lower sash at top; then, when the window is open for airing or sweeping, or washing the sill or framework, the curtain is not in the way. Be sure to make the sash curtains of materials that can be washed and boiled.

Wet umbrellas should not be closed and stacked in the dripper. Stand the handle down, and allow the water to run off quickly, thus preventing the ribs from rotting. The umbrella should be opened a couple of inches to allow the water to escape without wetting the handle. When nearly dry open to the full and then shake out the covering and prevent cracking. Let remain open until dry.

SIT AT IRONING BOARD.

Most women find ironing a very back-breaking and tiring occupation. It may be made a restful occupation, freed from tired back and aching feet, by sitting at the ironing board on a comfortable chair and placing the ironing board low enough so that the hands will be only under the waist. If an electrically heated iron, this is especially easy, as it is unnecessary to get up to change irons.

SPOOL TOYS.

Did you ever try saving empty spools and then using different colored yarn to dip the spools in? This is called building blocks and they make for the small child at no expense.

LUNCHEON FAVORS.

Cute favors for a luncheon are little hats made of silk or ribbon. The brims are old fashioned round pin pads and the crowns small stuffed pin-cushions fastened to them. Make them to harmonize with the color scheme of the luncheon, trim with tiny ribbon roses, and put a row of colored pins around the edge.

HEALTH AND BEAUTY.

An excellent health rule for bright eyes and a clear skin is to take the juice of a lemon in a glass of water, with a dash of salt added. This acts as a tonic, and which has more to do with good looks than many imagine.

Arnica, diluted with warm water, acts like magic in soothing tired, swollen feet, and a foot bath of this every other night is good.

The best treatment for a sprain is hot water. It relieves the soreness and reduces the inflammation. After the rest is necessary. After getting the injured part with hot water it should be bandaged and kept damp with wet washcloth. If the sprain is very bad this treatment may be used until the doctor arrives. Always keep a bottle of tincture of ammonia in the house to be used in case of bruises or cuts or wounds. Wet cloth with it and apply around the injured spot. It will be found to be cooling and soothing.

WORDS ON WILLOW WARE.

Have you seen a table set with willow ware? If you have you know how attractive it can be. More people should realize the charm of this willow ware. For in using it it is possible to get a refined and artistic effect at the lowest possible price.

It is charming used in an all blue dining room with white painted wood work and furniture. Or it might be used in a dining room with gray walls, blue hangings and furniture of mahogany, or in a dining room done in blue and tan.

In a room with this color scheme there was a golden tan wainscoting, a blue green and tan foliage over a cream ceiling, blue rug and oak furniture. And in an absolutely neutral room, blue and white china can be used. To see there is quite a scope.

Table runners, luncheon cloths, dollies are effective treatments to accompany this china. The sideboard or buffet may have a blue or white, an additional bit of plain blue pottery and some brass. Reserve of "hand-some" appointments when using blue and white is intended by means of a simple keynote.

MIRRORS.

You cannot overestimate the possibilities of mirrors in house decoration. They create an impression of spaciousness; they reflect back choice and unexpected bits of color and they actually make a dark interior lighter. A sufficient number of mirrors is used they make the smallest room seem larger. In fact, if they are so arranged that the whole room is reflected, the room may even seem larger and half the battle is won. And when windows reflect in opposite mirrors the light is richly given back again, and windows as mediums of light are multiplied in the room. One simple

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way of placing a large mirror is between two windows and reaching to the floor, console table with these placed against it for a decorative note.

DICTATES OF FASHION.
The tunic dress has invaded the kingdom of the tailor made.
Jade green is a popular shade which appears in covert cloth.
Now that wool is so precious more silk suits than ever are in vogue.
Charming little bonnets for babies are made of fine dotted swiss.
Pile and velvet lace appear on white and flesh colored blouses.
Higher choker collars appear on plain spring and summer coats.
There is scarcely a spring garment of which silk does not form a part.
The fashionable gowns of the present day are marked by smart simplicity.
Most foulard dresses are untrimmed except for dainty collar and cuffs of white.
High collared blouses, can only be worn by women with flawless chins and throats.
There is no prettier trimming for a large, flat hat than a wreath of leaves around the crown.
With a perfectly simple underslip of black satin one may wear various ornaments and jumpers.
The most charming coats of the epoch are those of the soft, heavy velours in mole shade.
Some of the best utility coats of the season are military and Red Cross garments.
A NEW APRON.
It was a pretty apron that the hostess slipped over her and fastened it with a button before she vanished into the tiny kitchenette to prepare a festive Sunday night supper. And when one examined it closely, it was really quite simple. The material was linen crash which, as most housekeepers know, is not very wide, only eighteen inches or so, in fact. It was cut in the shape of a T, and reached nearly down to the hem of the dress, while at the back it was gathered into a two or two and a half inch belt at the waist. From it was gathered slightly into the belt, which was fastened at one side with a large button covered with lace. For the middle of the front was a bluebird design embroidered in the same kind of cotton. A smaller design in blue adorned the button.

DETACHABLE POCKET.

The object of the detachable pocket is that a woman may have a safe place in which to carry her belongings about her. Some of her garments which are not exactly designed for the purposes of a safety vault. The newly invented detachable pocket has a large button covered with lace. For the middle of the front was a bluebird design embroidered in the same kind of cotton. A smaller design in blue adorned the button.

THRIFT HINTS.

Beets are second only to potatoes in general food value.
A wooden box is better for keeping bread than a tin one.
A sweet red pepper should always hang in a canary's cage.
Plain pastry in the lighter for a little baking powder in it.
Steaming bacon is much more economical than boiling it.
Omelets can be made with apricots as well as other things.
Never buy spices in large quantities; they lose their flavor.
Beetroot and salt will make rusty floors as smooth as glass.
The use of whole wheat flour is not regarded as saving wheat.
Coarse sandpaper is better than sandpaper to scour kettles with.
Don't forget that most people eat too much meat in summer time.

SHOES AND GLOVES.

Women are learning to be careful of gloves these days. One may not pick up a pair of white kid dress gloves for a song, and even the price of dry cleaning is going up. The best way this year is to purchase several pairs of really good gloves and make them give the best service by taking infinite care of them. Every pair of gloves should be washed and the least rip instantly by smoothing the gloves out flat and never rolling them into a wad, by protecting them from wet on many ways and by having them cleaned before they get so soiled that hard rubbing is necessary. Shoes also will receive extra care and attention this year. Every pair will be neatly tread while not in use, oil will be rubbed into the leather to keep it soft and pliable and shoes will be exchanged for slippers the moment one comes into the house. The heavy laced sport shoes for rough weather wear will stand much hard usage, but dainty buttoned boots for formal wear should be carefully protected by rubbers when on pavements are damp.
A well cared for shoe will last longer and look better while it lasts than one that is treated without the respect footwear should have these days of high prices.

WASHABLE WALLS.

Why should children prefer to write on immaculate walls rather than on writing paper? Because, first, their mothers tell them not to do it, and second, because the walls are whiter and the writing looks better on them than it does on paper. But the time has come when the mother need fear for the white nursery walls no longer. They can, indeed, be changed from a source of irritation to educational purposes by means of a finish which makes them washable. In other words, all pencil, crayon and pen marks may be washed away. Consequently the wall surface is as good a place for drawing pictures or working examples as a blackboard. Although the finish is intended primarily for the walls of the nursery, it may be used in the kitchen, living room or other part of the house where children are wont to try out their artistic ability on the walls. The finish

BRIDESMAID'S CAP.

CONCERNING WOMEN.

A bridesmaid's cap of lustrous rose satin has a lace band and a chin strap of lace caught with a hand made rose.

New York city is planning to organize a police reserve of 10,000 women.

Spokane, Wash., is the first big city in the country to have women fire fighters.

New Jersey women have just organized a division of the council of national defense.

The work of keeping some of the biggest golf courses in the country in condition is now being done by women.

The latest woman to be appointed as captain of a Red Cross canteen in France is Miss May Brewer of California.

EDGING FOR VEILS.

Paris favors ribbon of a contrasting hue as an edging on even the most delicate tulle veils.

TO POLISH A MIRROR.

To polish a mirror, use a dry brush to remove dust, then apply powdered chalk or whiting with any of these. Or use a dry cloth slightly moistened with a few drops of ammonia.

RECIPES.

Corn and Rice Muffins.—Four two-thirds of a cup of hot milk over which a cup of cooked rice and work with a fork to separate the grains; add half a cup of cornmeal to the mixture, two tablespoons of bacon fat, half a teaspoonful of salt and one tablespoonful of brown sugar; set aside to cool. When the mixture is cold add half a cup of flour and three teaspoonfuls of baking powder; beat it thoroughly; bake in well greased muffin pans in a hot oven for twenty minutes.

Charcuterie in Spinach.—Butter a mold and line it with slices of hard boiled eggs. Fill with chopped, cooked spinach, well drained, pressing it firmly. Put into a pan of hot water and bake for a few minutes, then turn out and serve hot with cream or drawn butter sauce. Nice when put in individual molds.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Better Than Rag Chewing.

Mr. Editor: The letter in Saturday's Bulletin on gum chewing was very amusing. We would like to ask which is the most annoying, chewing gum or "chewing the rag"? If people who do so much "chewing the rag" would change off and try some gum, the poor suffering reading public would not have to read so much nonsense and the neighbors would get a much needed rest. Always finding fault and kicking about everything is a much worse habit than gum chewing.

A. B. C.
Norwich, June 16, 1918.

WAR PRIMER

Chateau-Thierry, one of the objectives in the recent German offensive, is the subject of the following geography bulletin, issued today from the Washington headquarters of the National Geographic Society:

"Chateau-Thierry, situated on an eminence on the north bank of the River Marne, has been the storm center of battle for many centuries. It was captured by the English in 1429 and defeated the Russo-Prussians just 104 years ago; it was sacked in 1632, during the Franco-Prussian war, and was again captured by the English in 1814, just eight years before the spectacular advent of Joan of Arc on the scene of French history.

The famous vineyards of Champagne begin at Chateau-Thierry, and the town is naturally a great wine market. Before the war it also enjoyed a considerable trade in cattle and agricultural products, while it was famous in the industrial world for its excellent mathematical and musical instruments. The importance of the town is out of all proportion to its size, for in 1911 it had not more than 7,000 inhabitants.

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BRIDESMAID'S CAP.

CONCERNING WOMEN.

A bridesmaid's cap of lustrous rose satin has a lace band and a chin strap of lace caught with a hand made rose.

New York city is planning to organize a police reserve of 10,000 women.

Spokane, Wash., is the first big city in the country to have women fire fighters.

New Jersey women have just organized a division of the council of national defense.

The work of keeping some of the biggest golf courses in the country in condition is now being done by women.

The latest woman to be appointed as captain of a Red Cross canteen in France is Miss May Brewer of California.

EDGING FOR VEILS.

Paris favors ribbon of a contrasting hue as an edging on even the most delicate tulle veils.

TO POLISH A MIRROR.

To polish a mirror, use a dry brush to remove dust, then apply powdered chalk or whiting with any of these. Or use a dry cloth slightly moistened with a few drops of ammonia.

RECIPES.

Corn and Rice Muffins.—Four two-thirds of a cup of hot milk over which a cup of cooked rice and work with a fork to separate the grains; add half a cup of cornmeal to the mixture, two tablespoons of bacon fat, half a teaspoonful of salt and one tablespoonful of brown sugar; set aside to cool. When the mixture is cold add half a cup of flour and three teaspoonfuls of baking powder; beat it thoroughly; bake in well greased muffin pans in a hot oven for twenty minutes.

Charcuterie in Spinach.—Butter a mold and line it with slices of hard boiled eggs. Fill with chopped, cooked spinach, well drained, pressing it firmly. Put into a pan of hot water and bake for a few minutes, then turn out and serve hot with cream or drawn butter sauce. Nice when put in individual molds.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Better Than Rag Chewing.

Mr. Editor: The letter in Saturday's Bulletin on gum chewing was very amusing. We would like to ask which is the most annoying, chewing gum or "chewing the rag"? If people who do so much "chewing the rag" would change off and try some gum, the poor suffering reading public would not have to read so much nonsense and the neighbors would get a much needed rest. Always finding fault and kicking about everything is a much worse habit than gum chewing.

A. B. C.
Norwich, June 16, 1918.

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